

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 1307

BY REPRESENTATIVE ROSALIND JONES AND SENATOR WALSWORTH

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 42:5(D), relative to public comment at open meetings; to require
3 a period of public comment at public meetings prior to a vote on any agenda item;
4 and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 42:5(D) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §5. Meetings of public bodies to be open to the public

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9 D. Except school boards, which shall be subject to R.S. 42:5.1, each public
10 body conducting a meeting which is subject to the notice requirements of R.S.
11 42:7(A) shall ~~provide an opportunity for public comment at such meeting, subject~~
12 ~~to reasonable rules, regulations, and restrictions as adopted by the public body.~~ allow
13 a public comment period at any point in the meeting prior to action on an agenda
14 item upon which a vote is to be taken. The governing body may adopt reasonable
15 rules and restrictions regarding such comment period.

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____